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For: USER-FRIENDLY IMAGE FORMING

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR

RECEIVING INSTRUCTIONS RELATING TO

IMAGE DATA FROM AN EXTERNAL DEVICE AND TRANSMITTING IMAGE-RELATED INFORMATION TO THE EXTERNAL DEVICE (as amended)

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Action mailed May 22, 2009, and prior to action on the Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith, applicants respectfully request consideration of the following claim amendments and remarks.

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Remarks begin on page 8.